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Applicants	:	Michael J. Pugia			
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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION  
DATED MAY 17, 2006**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed May 17, 2006, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the Listing of Claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 4 of this paper.

## Amendments to the Claims

Please replace the present claims with the following amended set of claims.